

OVER THE RIVER
AND THROUGH THE
WOODS

PAGE 3

NEW LANES AT LU-B

PAGE 4



What is IHP ?

By Carlos Sanchez

Lindenwood University-Belleville's International Hospitality Program (IHP) is a friendship program designed to create relationships between international students and members of the local community. International students are assigned a host family to mentor them and provide them with guidance, care and anything else they may need away from home. Students, however, do not live with their host families. IHP is made up of a group of community and campus families who wish to enrich the lives of their families and the international students at Lindenwood University-Belleville.

LYNX TALE

APRIL EDITION · 2011

LINDENWOOD

LINDENWOOD UNIVERSITY BELLEVILLE, ILLINOIS



National Skills Competition

By Andrew Dahle

In its first year as a team, Lindenwood-Belleville men's basketball demonstrated an abundance of talent, and the skills competition at the national tournament in Pennsylvania was a great place to show it off. The skills competition consisted of a free throw challenge, three-point contest and dunk competition. Coach Spinner chose the best candidates for each contest. Each participant was put to the test against players from rival schools.

Point guard and team captain Todd Starks was selected to shoot free throws, which took place as the first event. In season, Todd had the highest free throw percentage at just below 80 percent. Todd made eight out of ten free throws in the first round, allowing him to move on to the second round. Todd made a respectable seven shots in the second round, but it was not enough to move him on to the final round.

Shooting guard Justin Ko-

ger was chosen for the three-point contest, a competition made more difficult due to the lack of a warm-up time. Koger knocked down a fair number of three-pointers, but the majority of them just were not falling. Many of the shots were heart breakers, going into the basket and then rattling out again.

The event that brought the most hype was the dunk competition. Such dunks as 360's, under the legs and windmills were seen bringing this dunk competition to a level that few have witnessed first hand. Lindenwood-Belleville's own Ernest Clayton hopped his way into the third round by using his aggressive attacks on the basket to get the crowd excited. In warm-ups, Ernest brought the crowd to its feet with a self-served shot off the backboard. Although the incredible dunk was not finished, it gave the crowd a nice preview of attractions to come.

Despite all of the pressure of hundreds of eyes watching them, Lindenwood-Belleville athletes accomplished exactly what they set out to do. They created a name for themselves as an upcoming powerhouse of athletic prowess.

LU-B Signs Deal with Gateway Grizzlies

By Brad Cygan



BASEBALL

LINDENWOOD BELLEVILLE

Lindenwood University - Belleville announced that it has reached an agreement with the Gateway Grizzlies to make GCS Ballpark its new home for baseball.

The university, which announced earlier this year that it will add baseball as one of its nine new sports for the 2011-2012 school year, will call GCS Ballpark home for the next five years. "We're very proud to be able to call such a fantastic facility our home," said Scott Spinner, director of intercollegiate athletics at Lindenwood - Belleville. "It's remarkable that in its first years of existence, the Lindenwood - Belleville baseball team will play in one of the best collegiate baseball stadiums in the country at any level."

Beginning in the spring of 2012, the Lynx will have 15 home game dates available to them at the facility. "It's an excellent venue with a very accommodating staff that will make our experience very successful," said Logan Johnson, head baseball coach at LU - Belleville. "It's important to me that we have a facility that is functional and attractive to prospective student athletes, and GCS

See Grizzlies page 4 . . .

What does IHP include?

IHP provides international students with host family assignments, social gatherings, picnics, welcome bags, needed household items, discussion groups, trips to St. Louis to experience the taste of foods from different parts of the world and an international night. The international night is a major annual event in which the community is invited to give performances representing the tastes of different cultures. IHP also helps international students with questions about who to go to for help with different issues and helps them remember some important things before they leave the United States to visit their relatives. Also, IHP will be giving special orientations to international students in order to better serve them and help them adjust before school starts.

Students interested in joining IHP can contact Carlos Sanchez at csanchez@lindenwood.edu.

Do you love Lindenwood-Belleville and want to earn additional funds toward your tuition?

Become a Student Ambassador

Lindenwood-Belleville is currently interviewing for Student Ambassadors. Multiple positions are available for the 2011-2012 Academic Year.

Inquire in day admissions for details or to apply.



Discover Reading This Summer!

PAGE 2

Lynx Baseball Signs First Recruit for 2012 Campaign

PAGE 4



LINDENWOOD



OPEN GYM 2011

PAGE 2

Assistant Registrar for LU-B

By Anna Beasley



Erin Ponder is assistant registrar for Lindenwood University-Belleville. She began as a student athlete for Lindenwood, playing soccer for the university for three years. Ponder started her professional career as academic services representative at the main campus in 2006, receiving her master's in human resources soon afterwards. She then took over the position of transcript coordinator before moving to the Belleville campus in 2010 to become assistant to the registrar. The main duties of the registrar include processing student enrollments, transcript evaluations, graduation and assisting students with academic services issues. Ponder has also helped with student advising. "I am excited to see the continual growth of the Belleville campus and am happy to help students in any way I can," Ponder said.

Financial Aid & Business Office Coordinator

By Anna Beasley



Brittany Brown is the financial aid and business office coordinator at Lindenwood University-Belleville. She is an alumna of Lindenwood, earning both her bachelor's degree in business administration and her master's degree in teaching. During her time in the master's program, she worked as a graduate assistant for the Financial Aid Department at Lindenwood University in St. Charles, Mo. In January of this year, she began working at Belleville as a permanent employee. The Financial Aid and Business Office at Lindenwood University-Belleville is here to assist students as they look to qualify for financial aid, complete corporate promissory notes, purchase merchandise or make payments on existing balances. As these departments continue to expand and serve your needs, they will eventually branch into their own entities, the Financial Aid Office and the Business Office.

Dr. Todd Mick Named Dean of Academics

By Stephanie Coartney



Dr. Todd Mick has been named Dean of Academics for Lindenwood University-Belleville. Currently chair of the Department of Business and Entrepreneurship, Mick will begin his new position on June 1, 2011.

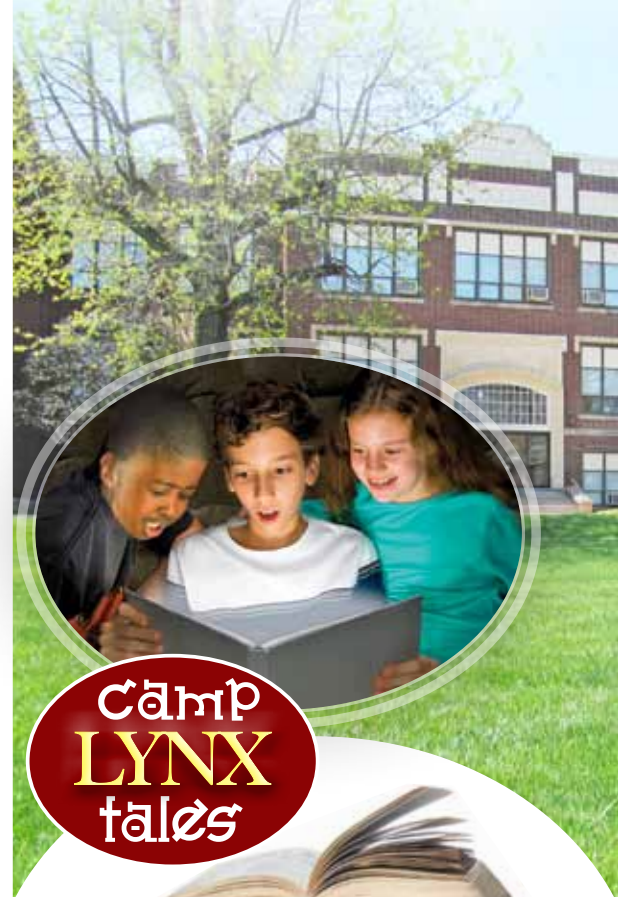
Mick's primary duties will include supervising the hiring of faculty, pursuing the addition of new degree programs, and ensuring that the academic programs Lindenwood-Belleville offers are of the highest quality. Dr. Paige Mettler-Cherry, current Dean of Academics, vacated the position to focus more on teaching and research. She will remain part of the Lindenwood faculty as division chair for math and science.

"We look forward to having Dr. Mick as part of our administration," said Jerry Bladdick, Vice President and CAO of Lindenwood-Belleville. "Through his excellent leadership skills and ability to interact with students and faculty on a meaningful level, we anticipate even further growth of our academic programs and faculty numbers."

"I'm excited to begin this new position and I look forward to serving an emerging university in Belleville and southwestern Illinois," said Mick.

Mick previously served as director of entrepreneurship at Metropolitan Community College in Kansas City, Mo., as well as director of the Small Business Institute and associate professor of entrepreneurship at Missouri Western State University in St. Joseph, Mo. He has instructed both undergraduate and graduate business students and has published research in numerous scholarly publications.

Mick earned a bachelor's degree in political science and economics and a master's degree in post-secondary student development and counselor education from the University of Iowa. He also holds a master's degree in public affairs and administration and a doctorate in entrepreneurship from the University of Missouri-Kansas City.



2011 Inaugural Camp Lynx Tales

By Stephanie Yearian

Lindenwood-Belleville is excited to offer the first Camp Lynx Tales from June 6-24. On the LU campus, local school children in grades 1-6 will have the opportunity to work one-on-one with Lindenwood-Belleville's reading practicum students under the direct supervision of the professor for EDU309, Analysis and Correction of Reading Difficulties. Camp Lynx Tales is a three-week session that helps children at every level with reading strategies, fluency, and comprehension. Camp Lynx Tales fulfills the practicum requirement for education students who have met the prerequisite of the reading methods course, EDU305. Both LU and elementary students must be committed to attending all three weeks due to the partnership that is fostered between the children and teacher interns. With only 15 tutors, spots are limited and will be filled on a first-come, first-served basis.

The intent of the camp is to give children the opportunity to experience summer vacation in a book. Children will enjoy teacher read-aloud sessions, partner reading, informal inventories to assess strengths and weaknesses in reading, tutoring assistance, and snacks that complement the readings. Teacher interns will have an opportunity to teach at least one lesson, keep a journal of the experience and administer pre/post tests with parental permission.

Summer vacation can be spent anywhere between the covers of a book, as in *A Long Way from Chicago* (Peck, 1997), *Where the Wild Things Are* (Sendak, 1963), *Tough Boris* (Fox & Brown, 1998), *The Adventures of Captain Underpants* (Pilkey, 1997), or *Tonight on the Titanic* (Osborne, 1999), just to name a few. Books take the reader on an adventure!

OPEN GYM 2011

APRIL 23, 2011
2:30 p.m. - 4 p.m.

Lindenwood-Belleville
Lynx Arena, Belleville, IL

Attention high school juniors, seniors, and current college students! Considered cheering for a university such as Lindenwood - Belleville? The Lynx cheerleaders will be hosting an open gym for your chance to work out with the squad and meet Coach Yearian. The day will consist of tumbling, stunting, and a routine created



by the squad. You will have the opportunity to ask any questions about cheering for the university. We ask that if you are currently 18 or under, please have a guardian with you to sign the release form before participating. Contact information for Coach Yearian can be found on the Lindenwood - Belleville website at <http://belleville.lindenwood.edu/>



See you there!

LYNX TALE CONTRIBUTORS

Dr. Keith A. Russell II - Chair of the English Department

Dr. Angela Wingo - Dean of Students

John Wunderlich - Faculty Advisor

Lennon Mueller - Graphic Designer

Stephanie Coartney - Copy Editor

Contributing Writers -

Dr. Therese Chavaux-Turnbull,

Dr. Sarah Patterson-Mills,

Stephanie Yearian, Brad Cygan,

Anna Beasley, Andrew Dahle



LYNX TALE

EDITORIAL POLICY

LINDENWOOD UNIVERSITY
BELLEVILLE CAMPUS

2600 West Main Street · Belleville, Ill. 62226

The Lynx Tale is published by Lindenwood-Belleville Campus for the students of Lindenwood University. Letters to the editor are welcomed. To be considered for submission, letters must include the name, address, and phone number of the writer. To submit a letter or story idea, give us a call at 239-6000 and ask for Stephanie. Or you can send us an email at lynxtalenevs@lindenwood.edu.

Custom T-Shirts
in about an Hour!

1 Hour services includes TEXT ONLY, one sided print.
Restrictions Apply. Subject to Availability.
\$15 include TEXT ONLY and one sided print.

Quantity Discounts for • Schools • Family Reunions
Sports Teams • Businesses & More

BEATNIK'S

115 E. Main Street • Home of BellVegas
Located 2 Blocks East of the Fountain in Belleville, IL

LACROSSE

NOW RECRUITING FOR INAUGURAL LADY LYNX LACROSSE TEAMS FOR 2011-2012 SEASON

Lindenwood-Belleville is searching for talented athletes to compete next season.

For questions or to submit a recruit for consideration, please contact coach Traci Nelson via email at tra.phipps@gmail.com

Anytime, Any place
BND's Replica Edition
Try it **FREE** at e-bnd.com

Subscribe for \$60 a year. Questions? Send an e-mail to e-bnd@bnd.com

BND
www.bnd.com

FIELD HOCKEY

NOW RECRUITING FOR THE INAUGURAL LADY LYNX FIELD HOCKEY TEAM FOR THE SPRING 2012 SEASON

Lindenwood-Belleville is searching for talented athletes to compete next season.

For questions or to submit a recruit for consideration, please contact coach Traci Nelson via email at tra.phipps@gmail.com

Personal & Career Counseling
FREE To Lindenwood Students

Our mission is to provide resources that help you plan educational and professional career tracks. We provide a bridge with a network of caring professionals and resources in the community.

Call 618-239-6161 For An Appointment

WRESTLING

NOW RECRUITING FOR INAUGURAL LYNX WRESTLING TEAMS FOR 2011-2012 SEASON

Lindenwood-Belleville is searching for talented wrestlers to compete next season.

For questions or to submit a recruit for consideration, please contact coach Paul Collum via email at pcollum@lindenwood.edu

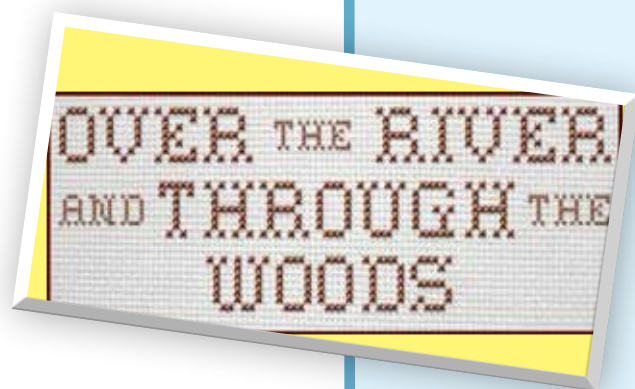
Mental Health and Substance Abuse Awareness Months: April and May

By: Dr. Therese Chavaux-Turnbull and Dr. Sarah Patterson-Mills

The Student Counseling and Resource Center (SCRC) is offering several free screenings in honor of Mental Health and Substance Abuse Awareness Months (April-May).

Students may be screened for anxiety, depression, eating disorders and substance abuse. The free screenings are paper/pencil or on-line assessments. They consist of multiple choice questions that ask basic information of the student. They are brief and are scored immediately for student feedback. All screenings are strictly confidential and are administered by the LU-Belleville master's-level graduate interns in the professional counseling program. The intern will review the screenings with each student and offer information, resources and referrals where indicated.

The SCRC is located in M107 on the lower level next to Matt's Café. Please call 618-239-6161 to schedule an appointment for a confidential screening today!



Di Pietro, the Tony winner for "Memphis" and author of "I Love You, You're Perfect, Now Change," based this work on his Italian immigrant grandparents.

Nick Cristano visits his colorful grandparents every Sunday for dinner. His parents died young, and their parents became a very important part of his life. When an attractive job promotion is offered that would mean moving far away, Nick must make a tough choice. And his grandparents let it be known they want him to stay.

8 Performances!

Shows will be April 7, 8, 9, 14, 15 and 16 at 7:30 p.m. and April 10 and 17 at 2 p.m. in the Lindenwood University-Belleville Auditorium.

Tickets are \$15 per person and \$12 for students. Senior and group rates are available. For group ticket sales or for more information, call (618) 767-6016.



One Flew Over The Cuckoo's Nest

April 15-19 & 21-23, 2011 - 7:30 p.m.

Emerson Black Box Theater
Lindenwood St. Charles

Adapted from the novel by Ken Kesey, the story is set in the 1960s at a dreary mental institution in the Pacific Northwest. "One Flew Over The Cuckoo's Nest" is a story about a charismatic rogue named Randle McMurphy who becomes a patient and finds that the ward is run by a tyrannical nurse. McMurphy befriends the patients, including a rather large deaf and mute Indian, and teaches them how to stand up for themselves. The result is a clash of two indomitable wills and an ending that will make you shudder and stand up and cheer. Ticket price for general admission is \$10.00.

This production contains mature subject matter and smoking. Patrons under the age of 15 must be accompanied by an adult.



Shop • Dine • Stay & Play in Belleville, Illinois!

SHOPPING • DINING • LODGING • MUSEUMS
HISTORIC SITES • GOLF COURSES • ART GALLERIES
34-CITY SCULPTURES • ANTIQUE & BOUTIQUE SHOPS
PARKS • HIKING & BIKING TRAILS • FESTIVALS & EVENTS

DOWNTOWN DIVA NIGHT

Third Thursday, monthly from 5 p.m. - 8 p.m.
Belleville Main Street, 618-669-0036

**ECKERT'S FARMS WINE & COOKING CLASSES
BUNKO GAMES AND FESTIVALS**

Call for schedule, 618-233-0513

FLEA MARKET

Third Saturday and Sunday, monthly from 9 a.m. - 4 p.m.
Belle-Clair Fairgrounds, 618-233-0052

MARCH OF DIMES WALK

April 16, 2011 • Downtown Belleville, 314-513-9990

STOCK CAR RACING

April - August every Friday at 7 p.m.
Belle-Clair Fairgrounds, 618-233-0052

Looking for someone who gets **Work and Learn** hours to help sell ads for the **Lynx Tale** newspaper.

Please contact **John Wunderlich** at

jwunderlich@lindenwood.edu

Colloquium SPEAKERS UPDATE

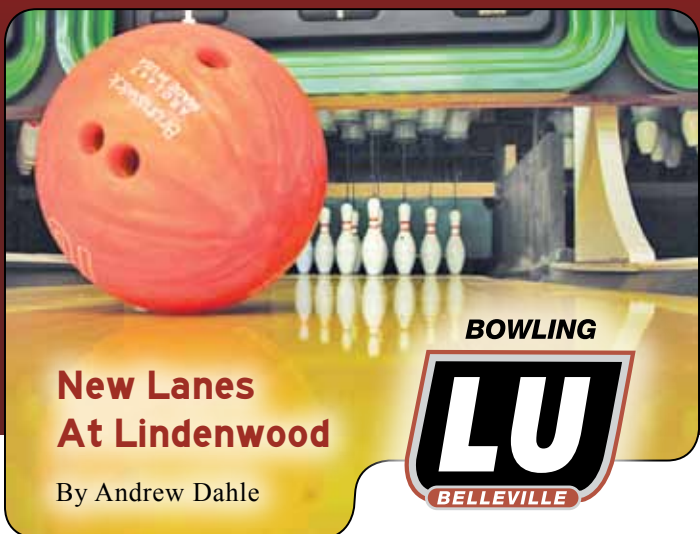
Wednesday, April 13, 2011 • Room M205, 5 p.m. - 6 p.m.
"Peace Corp and Life in Namibia"
Presented by Kevin Eiler, Professor and Peace Corp Participant

Tuesday, April 19, 2011 • Room M205, 5 p.m. - 6 p.m.
"Holistic Living" Presented by Janet McCarthy, R.N., B.S.N., L.M.T. of Inspired Pathways

Thursday, April 28, 2011 • Room M205, 5 p.m. - 6 p.m.
"Criminality, Substance Use, Drunk Driving, and MADD"
Presented by Alicia Collier, B.S., CADC, Mothers Against Drunk Driving "MADD"

For advertising opportunities, please contact John Wunderlich at jwunderlich@lindenwood.edu.

LYNX ATHLETICS



New Lanes At Lindenwood

By Andrew Dahle

Among the nine new sports teams that Lindenwood-Belleville will be adding next year to its family of athletics, men's and women's bowling will be slightly different. Under the leadership of Head Coach Curtis Wilkerson and Assistant Coach Brad Cygan, the Lynx bowling team will participate in the USBC Collegiate varsity bowling division and will call Belleville's Bel-Air Bowl home.

In his past, Wilkerson has participated in many bowling leagues, but since his high school did not offer bowling as a sport, he was unable to bowl for his school. "Wilkerson's greatest asset is that he is a killer recruiter," Cygan stated. Wilkerson has had previous experience recruiting for Lindenwood-Belleville's men's basketball team.

Cygan participated in bowling programs at both his high school, where he was JV captain for three years, as

well as on a collegiate level at Southeast Missouri State. At SEMO, Cygan led his team as captain to two consecutive third-place finishes. Cygan is looking forward to "passing on his experiences at a college level."

A unique aspect of Lindenwood-Belleville's bowling team is that it will play on the same level as all other major college bowling powerhouses, such as Wichita State. Unlike other sports, bowling only has one division in which all teams compete. It would be comparable to Lindenwood-Belleville basketball playing against Duke University or the Lynx soccer team facing off with Akron.

Wilkerson and Cygan are looking forward to the first season of Lynx bowling and are trying to complete a full roster to compete next year. They are looking for all the talent they can find, so if you are a talented bowler, please see these coaches in their offices in the Lynx Arena.



LU-Belleville Begins Wrestling Program

By Brad Cygan

After announcing the beginning of nine new athletics programs in the 2011-2012 school year, Lindenwood – Belleville recently announced the hiring of Paul Collum to lead the new men's wrestling team.

Collum comes to the university with a five-year background as an assistant coach with Missouri Baptist University where he helped the team steadily improve through the years. His strong background and experience will be needed in order to build a team for next winter.

Collum was also a top wrestler at the collegiate level. He began at Iowa Central Community College, where his team took home an NJCAA title in 2002, and he finished in fifth place. The next season, he won an NJCAA national title and helped his team to a second place finish. Soon afterwards, he transferred to Missouri Valley College and, in 2005, helped his team to a second place NAIA finish behind Lindenwood University. In that season, Collum won an NAIA national title in his weight class.

In January, Lindenwood – Belleville announced the addition of wrestling to its line-up of sports. Collum will have a short period of time to develop a competitive team to put on the mat in the coming season, but believes it will be a great season for the Lynx. "I have a lot of confidence that we can be more than just competitive next season," said Collum. "I have several contacts that I will utilize to build a winning program from the beginning. It will be tough, but I'm definitely up for the challenge set before me."

More than just a college coach, Collum also runs two wrestling clubs: Collum Trained School of Wrestling and Team Missouri Select. Additionally, he is the head coach of the junior duels Missouri National Team and the assistant coach of the Missouri National Team.

Wrestling begins in the winter of 2011 with the team playing all home matches in the Lynx Arena at Lindenwood – Belleville.

Lady Lynx Add Height to 2011-2012 Roster

By Brad Cygan



Lindenwood-Belleville's women's basketball team has signed 5'11" Brooke Dunning for next year's squad. Dunning is a transfer from Lakeland Junior College in Mattoon, Ill. The native of West Lafayette, Ind., has a track record of success. In high school, Dunning finished as team MVP, team captain, and she was the top rebounder in her senior season.

Prior to college, Dunning was named in the Hoosier Crossroads Conference's (HCC) top 50 individual scoring leaders, the top 25 two-point field goal percentage leaders, and the top 25 rebound leaders. At Lakeland, she continued her success, leading the Lakers in field goal percentage, and was second in rebounds in the 2009-2010 season.

Next year, Dunning will become one of the keys to the offensive attack for the Lady Lynx. "We are excited to have her height at our shooting guard position," said LU – Belleville head coach Annie Ewing. "She has a great attitude in addition to a great leadership style."

BASEBALL



Grizzlies continued from page 1 . . .

Ballpark has a professionally maintained playing surface, complemented by a great ballpark feel."

As the university continues to grow, baseball will be one of the most anticipated additions to the Athletics Department. Cur-

rently, GCS ballpark has a seating capacity of 6,000 and was named the 2005 Ballpark of the Year by digitalballparks.com. The ballpark features several modern amenities for fans, including party suites and an outdoor hot tub that can be rented to groups of 10-20 through the Grizzlies Group Sales Office during the Grizzlies season.

LU – Belleville Vice President Jerry Bladdick expects GCS

Ballpark to benefit recruitment and fan support for the university. "This partnership is truly a win, win, win situation," said Bladdick. "In essence, the Grizzlies will help promote Lindenwood – Belleville baseball. Lindenwood will help promote the state-of-the-art facilities the Grizzlies have to offer, and the students of Lindenwood and residents of St. Clair County will have yet another venue where they can come

together and support each other." Lindenwood – Belleville will begin play at its new home in the spring of 2012.



TENNIS

LINDENWOOD BELLEVILLE



Men's & Women's 2011 Tennis

Apr. 9	3:00 p.m.	Webster University	Belleville, IL
Apr. 10	10:00 a.m.	Quincy University	Belleville, IL
Apr. 13	3:00 p.m.	Lewis and Clark College	Godfrey, IL
Apr. 19	3:00 p.m.	Maryville University	Belleville, IL



Lynx Baseball Signs First Recruit for 2012 Campaign

By Brad Cygan

Logan Johnson, head baseball coach for Lindenwood – Belleville, announced that he has signed his first recruit for the university.

Dylan Dannemueller, a 5'9" middle infielder from Oran, Mo., will join the team next year as a quality utility player. "I'm very excited to have Dylan become a part of our first Lynx squad," Johnson said. "He provides versatility in the infield and shows a lot of potential to grow as a player."

Dannemueller is the first baseball player to sign at LU – Belleville and comes to the university from Oran High school, where he played under head coach Mitch Wood. The Lindenwood – Belleville baseball team will play all home games at GCS Ballpark in Sauget, Ill.

